

REMARKS

This application is a continuation of Application No. 09/394,321 and is being filed to obtain the benefits afforded by the AIPA. The foregoing amendment represents the claims from Application No. 09/394,321 in their most recent form. Entry of the foregoing amendment and passage to allowance are respectfully requested.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

U.S. Patent No. 5,353,399
U.S. Patent No. 5,461,710
U.S. Patent No. 5,668,571
U.S. Patent No. 5,727,174
U.S. Patent No. 5,917,493
U.S. Patent No. 5,923,325
U.S. Patent No. 5,995,101
U.S. Patent No. 6,002,995
U.S. Patent No. 6,028,679
U.S. Patent No. 6,266,057
U.S. Patent No. 6,266,082
U.S. Patent No. 6,313,833

These documents were cited in parent U.S. Application No. 09/394,321, and might be deemed pertinent for the reasons given therein. The Examiner is respectfully directed to the Patent and Trademark Office files for review of these documents. See MPEP § 609. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of the attached form PTO-1449.

CONCLUSION

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